IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA

CALVIN L. HENNIGAN,)
Plaintiff,) MEMORANDUM OPINION) AND ORDER
V.)
ARAMARK, et al.,) 1:10CV193
Defendants.)

Plaintiff originally filed this case as an action under 42 U.S.C. § 1983. Following initial screening, the undersigned recommended that the case be dismissed without prejudice to it being refiled after Plaintiff corrected certain deficiencies (docket no. 4). That Recommendation was eventually adopted by the District Judge handling the matter and Judgment was entered dismissing the case (docket nos. 7, 8). The case was then closed. Three months later, Defendants B.J. Barnes, Officer Ramsey, and Lt. Watkins filed a Motion for Relief From Fraudulent Filings (docket no. 9). It alleges that Plaintiff filed certain fraudulent documents in this case and in another civil rights action that he is also pursuing, 1:10CV485. Defendant's motion prompted Plaintiff to file a motion seeking appointment of counsel (docket no. 11).

It is not clear why Defendants filed their motion in a case that had been dismissed and closed. This case would not have posed any concern to them and, to the extent that Defendants might have fears about Plaintiff making future

fraudulent filings, that issue can be fully addressed in his other pending civil action.

The filing may have been inadvertent given that Defendants' attorneys were filing

several similar motions in a group of related actions. Regardless, the fact remains

that this case was closed and further motions were not proper. The parties' pending

motions, filed after the closing of the case, will be stricken and will not be considered

further.

For the foregoing reasons,

IT IS ORDERED that Defendants' Motion for Relief From Fraudulent Filings

(docket no. 9) and Plaintiff's motion have counsel appointed (docket no. 11) are

stricken and that this case will remain closed.

Wallace W. Dixon

United States Magistrate Judge

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Durham, N.C. February 3, 2011